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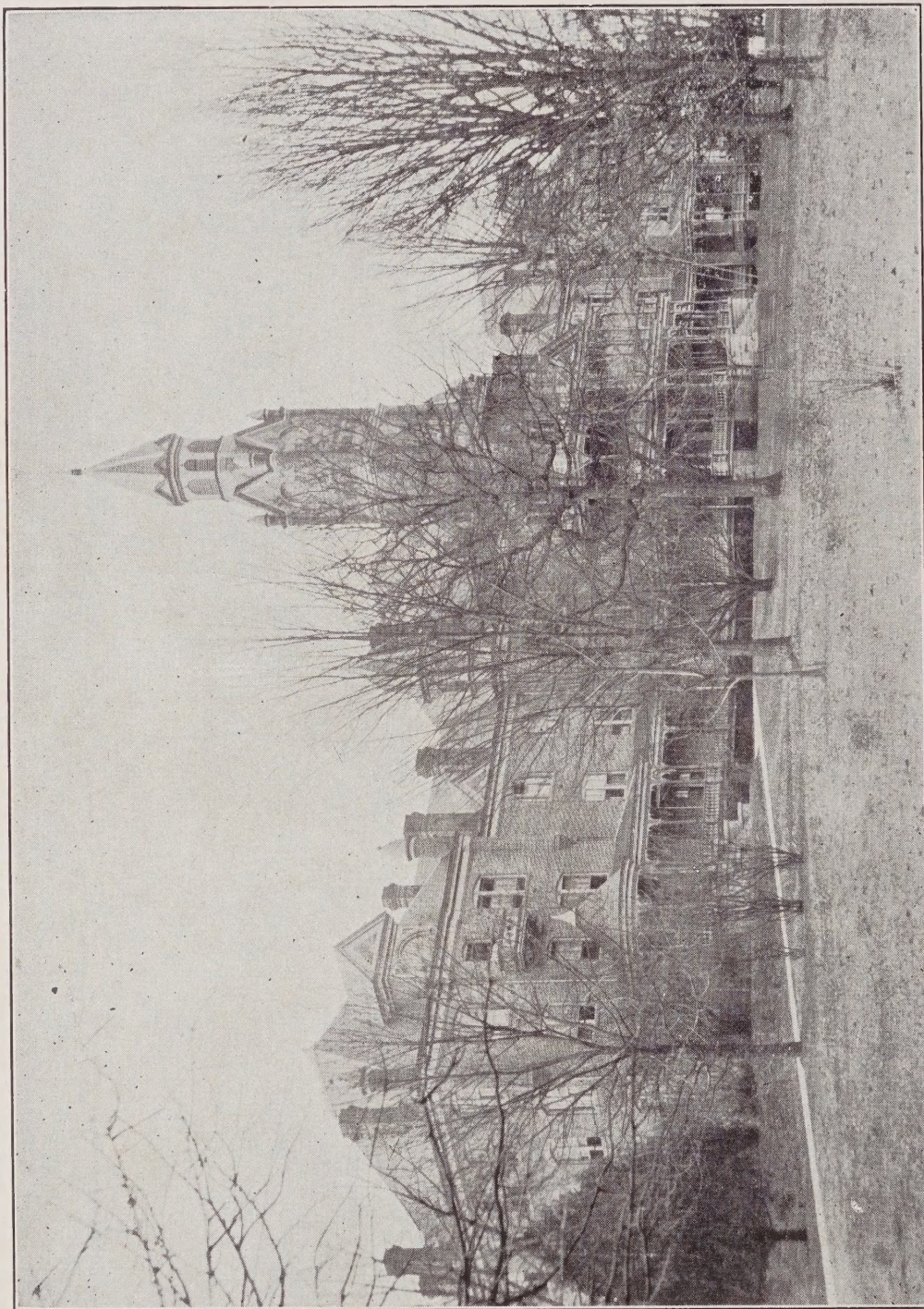
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Morganton, N. C.



OUR ALMA MATER

Class Poem

To Our Alma Mater



Now we thank our Alma Mater
Who has guided us so long,
And as birds that leave the home-nest
Now we leave you with a song.

May we ever keep your precepts,
And remember to be true
To the principles we learned here,
Never bringing shame to you.

Dear N. C. S. D. we love you,
And will strive always to rate
As worthy, loyal sons and daughters
Of our School and of our State.



Front row from left to right: GUY STEVENS, NELDA ROZZELLE, ERMINE STANLEY, CARRIE MORGAN AND GROVER FORDHAM. Back row: EDGAR NEWMAN, WAVERLY HOOD AND PAUL CRUTCHFIELD.

Class Roll



PAUL BRADSHAW CRUTCHFIELD, *Winston-Salem*

GROVER WOODROW FORDHAM, *Kinston*

WAVERLY THOMAS HOOD, *Wilson*

CARRIE MAE MORGAN, *Asheville*

EDGAR GEORGE NEWNAM, *Pelham*

NELDA FRANCIS ROZZELLE, *Burlington*

ERMINE MARY STANLEY, *Whiteville*

GUY THOMAS STEVENS, *Durham*



CLASS MOTTO:

"Be Thorough"

CLASS TREE:

Oak

CLASS FLOWER:

Daisy

CLASS COLORS:

Blue and Silver



CLASS OFFICERS:

CARRIE MORGAN

President

PAUL CRUTCHFIELD

Vice-President

ERMINE STANLEY

Secretary



CARL E. RANKIN
Superintendent

Class History



THE CLASS was organized in the fall of 1936. At that time it consisted of four girls and five boys. Mary Stevens and Louise Danner were in the class but neither of them returned to school in 1937. Ermine Stanley was transferred to this class from the ninth grade in September.

Carrie Morgan, our class president, comes from Asheville. Both of her parents are deaf. Her father attended the School for the Deaf and Blind at Raleigh and her mother, the former Miss Jonie Reece, attended school here. Neither of her parents was born deaf. Carrie lost her hearing at three years of age from an attack of influenza. She entered school in 1926. Miss Katherine Walton was her first teacher. Waverly Hood was one of her classmates and the only one of her original class to finish school with her.

After coming to Main Building, Carrie became interested in sports. She enjoyed swimming, basketball and hiking. She was a Girl Scout for four years and enjoyed all the Scout activities. She is studious, has made good grades and been promoted every year. History and language are her favorite studies and she has acquired a remarkable command of English.

Her favorite recreation is swimming. She spends her leisure time in reading and collecting articles for her scrapbooks. She has been taught sewing, cooking and general housework. She hopes to have a home of her own in the near future.

Paul Crutchfield, the vice-president of the class, is a native of Winston-Salem. He was born deaf. His father, mother and three brothers are deaf. He is eighteen years old and entered this school in 1926. His first teacher was Miss Elizabeth Higgins. Nelda Rozzelle, his cousin, and he have been classmates all through school. His twin brother, Ralph, was in his class until they reached the fifth grade then it was necessary

for Ralph to repeat the work and they were separated.

Paul has a bright mind but has not applied himself to his studies. He is interested in all kinds of sports. He was a Boy Scout for six years and took delight in hiking and camping. For several years he has been a Scout Leader. He was captain of the basketball team for two years and has played on the first football and baseball teams. He enjoys swimming and taking long tramps through the mountains. He has always been a leader among the boys and has so much influence over them that he has won the soubriquet of "generalissimo."

For several years he worked in the Manual Arts class. Later he took up carpentry and did good work but his desire has always been to be a printer. This year he was put into the printing office and he has made remarkable progress. He hopes to return to school next year and perfect himself in linotyping.

Ermine Stanley was born in Florida in 1917. Her parents, who were North Carolinians, returned to this state when she was ten years old. They lived at Whiteville, Columbus County where Ermine attended school. She completed the fifth grade and was promoted to the sixth grade but during the vacation she was taken sick and underwent several operations. In the fall of that year she lost her hearing as a result of her illness. After missing six years of school, she entered this school in the fall of 1934 and was put into the seventh grade. At first she was unhappy here but soon became adjusted to her surroundings and has been contented to remain at this school.

Her conduct has been exemplary and she has had a good influence over the girls with whom she has associated. When she first came here, she was not strong but her health has steadily

improved and for the last year or so she has been in good physical condition.

Her lameness has prevented her from taking an active part in sports but she has enjoyed taking walks and going camping. History, physiology and physics have been her favorite studies. She has a splendid command of English and enjoys reading, especially during her vacations. She likes to crochet and sew.

She hopes to continue her studies in the public schools and later take up sewing or beauty culture.

Nelda Rozzelle was born at Paw Creek in 1919. She has been deaf from birth. Her parents are former pupils of this school. She has no brothers nor sisters. Her hearing sister, who was three years younger than she, died a few years ago. Her parents live in Burlington. She is eighteen years old and entered school in 1926. Miss Elizabeth Higgins was her first teacher. Her health has been good and she has missed very little time from school. She is athletic and has enjoyed swimming and skating. She belonged to the Girl Scouts for several years and liked to go hiking and camping with them. Her favorite studies were physics and history. She is not studious and has been handicapped by poor eyesight.

She likes to cook and during her vacations she helps her mother prepare the meals. She has been taught sewing and cooking. She wants to get a position in the hosiery mill in Burlington when she goes home.

Waverly Hood comes from Wilson where he was born twenty years ago. There is no deafness in his family. He lost his hearing in his boyhood as a result of influenza. He lived on a farm with his family until he was eight years old. He came to school in September 1926 and Miss Katherine Walton was his first teacher.

When he was transferred to Main Building, he was eager to play games. He was a Boy Scout for several years. He enjoyed hiking, swimming and playing football. He has never been studious and has spent most of his leisure time reading newspapers and magazines and playing ping

pong. He likes to go to the movies and take tramps to the mountains. He is a pleasant, jovial boy and has made many friends.

He has worked in the carpenter shop for several years and has learned a great deal from his instructor, Mr. Smith. He expects to work in the hosiery mill at his home and perhaps later do carpentry work.

Grover Fordham comes from Kinston. He was born there in 1916 and became partially deaf as a result of influenza which he contracted when he was two years old. There is no deafness in his family except that of a younger brother who lost his hearing from the same cause.

His health was bad so he was kept at home for sometime. For two years he attended school in Kinston but learned very little as he was unable to hear. In 1929 he entered this school. Mrs. Howell was his first teacher then he was put into Miss Hicks' class. He made good grades and learned rapidly. After two years, he was sent to the Kinston school again. Although he did well in some subjects, in others he made no progress because of his deafness. The next fall he was brought back to this school and put in the fourth grade. Since then he has attended school regularly. Four years ago he had an operation for appendicitis. Since then he has been in good health. His conduct has been good and he has given very little trouble. He was a Boy Scout for several years and has played football and baseball. He can swim but has never taken an active part in sports.

He worked in the carpenter shop for sometime and was then put into the tailoring department. He has worked there for three years. When he leaves here, he wants to get a position in a tailor shop at his home.

Guy Stevens was born in Chapel Hill in 1919. He became partially deaf from abscesses in the ear when he was in his third year. For several years he had trouble with his ears. His parents now live in Durham. He entered school in 1926 and has been here every year since then.

He is too fond of play to be studious and has never worked hard enough to attain a

high standing in school. He has spent much of his time playing pranks on the boys and having a good time. He has a keen sense of humor and is full of fun. This has made him popular with the boys. His health has been good and he has taken an interest in all the sports. He plays football, basketball, baseball and bowls. He does not enjoy swimming, but he likes to tramp through the mountains. He plays volley ball in his leisure time.

Edgar Newnam is from Pelham, Caswell County. He was born totally deaf. The cause of his deafness is unknown. He has an older brother who is deaf and attended school here.

He came to school for the first time in 1925. He has a fine character and has been a model of good behavior. He is neat and precise in all he does. He has never attained a high rank in scholarship but has done his best and we predict for him success in his work.

He is athletic and has played on the first football, basketball and baseball teams. He enjoys hiking, swimming and all out door sports. His health is excellent.

He has been trained in tailoring for six years. When he leaves school, he wants to get work in a tailor shop. If he fails in this, he will be a farmer.



Class of 1938

NAME	NICKNAME	PET EXPRESSION	AMBITION
Paul Crutchfield	Generalissimo	"I don't care."	Linotyping
Grover Fordham	Model T	"I don't know."	Tailoring
Waverly Hood	Parson	"What say?"	Cabinet making
Carrie Morgan	Camae	"Nothing"	Housekeeping
Edgar Newnam	Professor	"All right"	Tailoring
Nelda Rozzelle	Nell	"I can't help it."	Homemaking
Ermine Stanley	Snoots	"No!"	Dress designing
Guy Stevens	Happy-Go-Lucky	"What?"	Cabinet making

Class Superlatives



<i>Best Looking Boy</i>	Paul Crutchfield
<i>Prettiest Girl</i>	Carrie Morgan
<i>Most Intelligent Boy</i>	Paul Crutchfield
<i>Most Intelligent Girl</i>	Ermine Stanley
<i>Most Studious Boy</i>	Grover Fordham
<i>Most Studious Girl</i>	Ermine Stanley
<i>Most Popular Boy</i>	Paul Crutchfield
<i>Most Popular Girl</i>	Ermine Stanley
<i>Most Athletic Boy</i>	Guy Stevens
<i>Most Athletic Girl</i>	Nelda Rozzelle
<i>Wittiest Boy</i>	Guy Stevens
<i>Wittiest Girl</i>	Carrie Morgan
<i>Most Industrious Boy</i>	Waverly Hood
<i>Most Industrious Girl</i>	Carrie Morgan
<i>Most Amiable Boy</i>	Edgar Newnam
<i>Most Amiable Girl</i>	Nelda Rozzelle
<i>Best Dressed Boy</i>	Edgar Newnam
<i>Best Dressed Girl</i>	Carrie Morgan
<i>Tallest Boy</i>	Edgar Newnam
<i>Tallest Girl</i>	Nelda Rozzelle

Class Autobiographies



Ermine Mary Stanley

I was born early one Monday morning in the spring of 1917. The day was the second of April, only four days before the United States entered the World War. The place was New Smyrna, Florida, a pretty town on the extreme east coast of the state about fifteen miles south of the well-known Daytona Beach. It was there that I spent my early childhood.

How well I remember the orange trees, bending down with golden fruit, the gray Spanish moss hanging from the oak trees, the sweet-smelling magnolias, the stately palms, and at Christmas, the beautiful poinsettias that grew far above my head. Most of all I remember my old home, the sea-shell school building and the little brown brick church where I enjoyed going on Sunday mornings.

My father and mother were both North Carolinians and when I was in the fourth grade my family moved back to North Carolina. We had moved once before, but this time we were to make the Old North State our permanent home.

I started my fifth year of school at Whiteville, where my home is at present. I successfully completed my grade and was promoted to the sixth. I felt very proud because I thought I would have only two more years in grammar school. But then, I did not know what the near future would bring.

A little more than two months later, the first of July, I was taken seriously ill and carried to the James Walker Hospital, in Wilmington where I underwent several operations. In the fall of that year, as a result of my sickness, I lost my

hearing. Attempts were made to restore it, but all failed. I was in bad health for several years.

Knowing that I was deaf, I knew that I could not attend public school again. Mother and Father had heard of the School for the Deaf at Morganton and since I wanted to go to school, they decided to let me come here, so after missing six years of school I started again and in such a different place.

At first I thoroughly disliked it and wanted to go back home. Seeing the girls signing, made me feel like a foreigner in some distant land. This feeling soon left me, for I found that the girls could talk to me and understand what I said. After being with them a few weeks, I felt like one of them.

This is my fourth year here and not a day have I regretted that I came. I think that I have been greatly benefitted by coming as have many others who came before me and as will be many others who come when I am gone.

A great deal of credit, I think, should go to the teachers for nowhere have I seen teachers who were so interested in their pupils and so willing to help them.

I think that we were very lucky to have Dr. Goodwin for our superintendent so long and lucky again to have his son-in-law, Dr. Rankir succeed him. Dr. Goodwin's life work was teaching and helping the deaf and as a result of his work many a deaf person's life has been made brighter and more useful than it otherwise would have been.

When I leave school I expect to be a dress-maker or take up beauty culture.

Waverly Thomas Hood

I was born on a farm near Goldsboro on July 27, 1918. When I was a baby, I was very ill. I was sick all summer. While my family were out at work on the farm, my sister nursed me. My family was worried because I was very ill. I almost died but finally recovered. When I got better, my relatives spoke to me again and again, but I did not speak. They found out that my illness had caused me to become deaf.

When I was six years old, my family moved to Wilson where Daddy had a position. He wondered where the school for the deaf was, so he went out to talk with the people to find out about it. One of them told him that Gordon Pace, whose father lived in that town, used to go to this school. Daddy met him and talked about sending me to school. He decided to send me here in the fall of 1926.

At the age of eight I entered school. I had never seen any deaf children before I got on the train. The signs were strange to me. When I arrived here, I did not know where I was. One of the older boys led me to Goodwin Hall. I was shy and afraid of the children there, but

after awhile I was all right. I made many friends and played with them.

The next morning after I came, Miss Joiner, our principal, put me in the preparatory class. Miss Katherine Walton was my first teacher. Our class consisted of ten pupils, six boys and four girls. One of the boys looked like me. Many teachers mistook Walter Diggs for me and sometimes me for Walter.

Carrie Morgan and I have been classmates all the years and we have been promoted regularly for twelve years.

When I was transferred to Main Building, I was eager to play games and take exercises to keep my body in good condition. My favorite sports are football and swimming. I have been playing football for three years.

I have been learning carpentry and have worked in the carpenter shop for four years. I have learned a great deal under Mr. Smith who has been my instructor.

My ambition is to get a position in the hosiery mill at my home when I am through school.

Carrie Mae Morgan

It was in a little green and white house on a farm in Penrose, North Carolina on March 20, 1919 that I was born to deaf parents. When I was in my third year, I lost my hearing from an attack of influenza. My father being a farmer, I spent most of my life in the country. I have a hearing sister older than I and a younger brother who can hear.

I can very well remember when I first came here. I wore a red silk dress and a blue hat. My mother had attended this school and she had explained to me all about the school so I did not feel bad about coming although many of the new children cried and cried.

The next morning after my arrival, I was put in Miss Katherine Walton's class. Of this class Waverly Hood and I are the only ones who will graduate together. I enjoyed school and my stay at Goodwin Hall and have many precious

memories, which I treasure, of my life there.

When I first came to Main Building, Miss Kate Walton was our matron. I was a mischievous girl and most of my escapades ended up in standing in the corner or a spanking with a hairbrush. Nevertheless I liked Miss Walton and tried harder to do right. Best of all, I was glad to have Miss Katherine Walton teach me again. She taught me three years.

Of all the sports, I have enjoyed swimming, basketball and hiking most. I like tennis also. Reading and collecting articles for scrapbooks are my hobbies. I am fond of sewing and cooking. My chief aim in life is, of course, like any other girl's, to have a nice home. I know that as I graduate, I am facing a very hard world and hope that I shall be able to earn my bread and butter and not be dependent on any one.

Grover Woodrow Fordham

I was born in Kinston in Lenoir County, on December 27, 1916. I am partially deaf and my deafness was caused by an attack of influenza when I was two years old. I have a deaf brother younger than I whose deafness came from the same disease as mine.

I had been to the public school before I came to this school but learned very little on account of my deafness.

I came to Goodwin Hall in the fall of 1929. Mrs. Howell was my first teacher. At that time our class was in a small room at Goodwin Hall, then after Christmas, we were moved to the new school building which is now called East Hall. The next year I was put in the second grade and Miss Hicks was my teacher and taught reading, writing and language drill. We learned fast while she was our teacher.

After that I stayed at home for a year attending the public school again. I did very well with some of my subjects but could not learn

others on account of my hearing so I had to come back to this school again in the fall. I was transferred to Main Building and put into Mrs. Francis Davis' class, the fourth grade. Since then I have attended school regularly.

When I came to Main Building, I began my vocational work in the carpenter shop and later in the tailor shop in which I am still working.

When I was promoted to the eighth grade, Mr. Alexander was my first man teacher and he was very good as a teacher of arithmetic. Carrie Morgan, Nelda Rozzelle, Waverly Hood and Paul Crutchfield have been my classmates since then.

I was a Boy Scout for several years. I have hiked to Table Rock twice and also have been to other mountain peaks.

Swimming, playing football and baseball are my favorite sports.

When I leave here, I hope to get a position in a tailor shop in my home town.

Edgar George Newnam

I was born near Ruffin, Rockingham County on August 6, 1918. I was born totally deaf. The cause of my deafness is unknown. I have an older brother who is deaf. He attended this school several years ago.

When I was almost three years old, my family moved to Pelham where I still live. I have been living on a farm all my life.

After I spent three years at Goodwin Hall, I was promoted to Main Building. I was interested in many useful things.

I joined the Boy Scouts when I was thirteen years old. I often went on hikes with the Scouts. I was a Scout for about two years.

During my first year in the trades department, I worked in the Manual Arts class under Mr. Hawkins. At first I was interested in wood-working and designing. Later I did not get along well with my work so I was put in the tailor shop. I have worked there for six years.

I have enjoyed all kinds of sports. I played football on the first team for three years. Sports have helped me grow strong and well.

I remember that I spent the day visiting here before I entered school in the fall of 1925. From the first year I liked the place very much and there were so many boys to play with that I was not lonesome when my family left me. When I was in Goodwin Hall, I often went to swim in our school pool. I learned to swim very well and still enjoy swimming.

I have come to school regularly every year. I was put into this class last year. The class was then composed of four boys and two girls but this year another girl was put in our class.

I am grateful that my family sent me here. If they hadn't sent me, I would have grown up in ignorance. I am thankful that I can work as well as hearing people can. I shall never forget what the school has done for me and hope to be successful in my work as a tailor.

Guy Thomas Stevens

I was born at Chapel Hill in Orange County on July 13, 1919. I lost my hearing from an abscess in my ear when I was three years old.

I lived on a farm about seven miles from Chapel Hill. My parents moved to Durham when I was about seven years' old. I remember that time. I was troubled with my ears being sore. I don't remember much about my childhood before I came to school.

I entered this school in the fall of 1926. When I came to Goodwin Hall, I cried very hard because the boys and girls talked on their fingers. It was all strange to me and I didn't know why I was here. I lived in Goodwin Hall for four years and then came to Main Building in 1929. I have been in school for twelve years.

In this school I have learned how to write, read, work and many things that will be helpful to me when I go out to make my living. I like to read some magazines especially Liberty Magazine.

Basketball and swimming are my favorite sports.

I have been working in the carpenter shop for four years. I want to be a carpenter when I finish school.

I am thankful that my parents sent me to school here. I am glad that I had Dr. Goodwin as my superintendent during most of my school life and I hope to be a successful man.

Nelda Frances Rozzelle

I was born deaf in Paw Creek, Mecklenburg County on September 23, 1919. My parents are deaf. When I was about three years old, I was very sick with typhoid fever. My parents worried a lot about me so I was taken to a hospital in Charlotte. There was a doctor named Dr. Taylor who was fond of me and he gave me a beautiful doll and lots of fruit. I was named Nelda for his daughter. At that time my mother had a baby girl named Iva. When I got well, the doctor told Daddy not to let me drink water from the spring because that spring was full of germs. Soon we moved to Burlington where Daddy still holds a position.

Daddy sent me to school when I was six and a half years old. I rode on a train and saw many children signing. I already knew that we were going to school and I cried very hard but a big deaf girl, whose name I can't remember, comforted me and made me stop crying. When we arrived here, I was surprised to see the tall buildings which looked as if they were going to fall down on me.

The next morning I entered the schoolroom and Miss Elizabeth Higgins was my first teacher.

Paul and Ralph Crutchfield were in the same class. She taught my class for two years. I lived in Goodwin Hall for three years and was transferred to Main Building in 1929. I was promoted to the third grade. At that time Miss Cox was our physical director and taught us how to swim. When I was in the fifth grade, I took the Junior Life Saving test in swimming and got a badge. I began to enjoy swimming and now it is my favorite exercise, but I also enjoy skating, hiking, playing ball and swinging.

I belonged to the Girl Scouts for about four years and was interested in the work. I have passed many tests.

My hobbies are cooking and reading. When we go home for our summer vacation, and even during the Christmas holidays, I always help Mother do the housework and cooking.

When I have finished school, I shall be sorry to leave here and shall miss my friends whom I love. I certainly have enjoyed my school days and I am thankful to Daddy and Mother for sending me to school. I hope I can get a good position that will help me make my way in the world.

Paul Bradshaw Crutchfield

I was born in Winston-Salem, North Carolina on the second day of August, 1919. I was born deaf. My parents were deaf and I have three deaf brothers. Two of them finished school a few years ago. My twin brother is in the junior class.

I entered this school in 1926. My first teacher was Miss Elizabeth Higgins. She taught me for two years. When I was in Goodwin Hall, I was a mischievous boy and gave plenty of trouble to the supervisors. I lived in Goodwin Hall for three years and was promoted to Main Building in 1929.

My cousin, Nelda Rozzelle, is the only one of the pupils in my first class who is still my classmate. Guy Stevens was in my class when I first came here but was put in another class when we were in the seventh grade. He came back to my class last year. My twin brother, Ralph, and I were in the same class until we reached the fifth grade. He had to repeat the fifth grade work and we were separated.

Since I have been at Main Building, I have enjoyed my school life because I have always had good times hiking to the mountains, playing games and taking the Scout work. I have been a Boy Scout for six years. Now I am in the Life Scout rank.

I have played football, basketball and baseball on the first team for three years. I was captain of the basketball team for three years. Last year we almost won the Western Conference basketball championship but ranked second.

I was in the Manual Art shop for three years and worked in the carpenter shop for three more years. I made many kinds of furniture while I was in the carpenter shop. This year I am learning to operate the linotype. I hope I will take the printing course here next year. I want to secure a job in a printing office as soon as I finish my course.

The most awful thing that has happened during my school days was the burning of West Hall, our old school building. We lost lots of books and school furniture. We are thankful that no one was injured.

I have enjoyed being in this school. I wish I could go to school several years more because I want to learn more. I feel grateful to Dr. Goodwin, Dr. Rankin and the teachers and officers who have helped me. I hope to succeed in my work and be a credit to my school.



AIRPLANE VIEW OF NORTH CAROLINA SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF

